

SA Trade Statistics for August 2018 (including BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2018 (Preliminary)	R 116 883 285 849	R 108 088 611 992	R 8 794 673 857
July 2018 (Revised)	R 106 851 400 125	R 112 145 592 864	R -5 294 192 739

R Increase/Decrease	R 10 031 885 724	R -4 056 980 872
% Growth	9.4%	-3.6%

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2018 (Preliminary)	R 795 101 245 241	R 792 445 923 384	R 2 655 321 857
January to August 2017 (Revised)	R 757 558 618 906	R 717 630 718 099	R 39 927 900 807

R Increase/Decrease	R 37 542 626 335	R 74 815 205 285
% Growth	5.0%	10.4%

COMMENTS

Month on month increase/decrease

EXPORTS

Section 5:	Mineral Products increased by	R 2 269 million (10%)
Section 6:	Chemical Products increased by	R 727 million (12%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones increased by	R 1 250 million (7%)
Section 15:	Base Metals increased by	R 627 million (5%)
Section 17:	Vehicles & Transport Equipment increased by	R 3 986 million (32%)

IMPORTS

Section 2:	Vegetable Products decreased by	R 896 million (-33%)
Section 5:	Mineral Products decreased by	R 8 687 million (-37%)
Section 14:	Precious Metals & Stones increased by	R 586 million (28%)
Section 16:	Machinery & Electronics increased by	R 1 370 million (6%)
Section 23:	Original Equipment Components increased by	R 762 million (8%)

International Trade (excluding BELN)

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2018 (Preliminary)	R 104 372 967 798	R 104 322 790 353	R 50 177 445
July 2018 (Revised)	R 96 121 358 321	R 108 271 799 285	R -12 150 440 964
R Increase/Decrease	R 8 251 609 477	R -3 949 008 932	
% Growth	8.6%	-3.6%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2018 (Preliminary)	R 709 559 045 947	R 766 005 582 639	R -56 446 536 692
January to August 2017 (Revised)	R 672 366 745 285	R 692 870 028 765	R -20 503 283 480
R Increase/Decrease	R 37 192 300 662	R 73 135 553 874	
% Growth	5.5%	10.6%	

BELN

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
August 2018 (Preliminary)	R 12 510 318 051	R 3 765 821 639	R 8 744 496 412
July 2018 (Revised)	R 10 730 041 804	R 3 873 793 579	R 6 856 248 225
R Increase/Decrease	R 1 780 276 247	R -107 971 940	
% Growth	16.6%	-2.8%	

CUMULATIVE FIGURE

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	TRADE BALANCE
January to August 2018 (Preliminary)	R 85 542 199 294	R 26 440 340 745	R 59 101 858 549
January to August 2017 (Revised)	R 85 191 873 621	R 24 760 689 334	R 60 431 184 287
R Increase/Decrease	R 350 325 673	R 1 679 651 411	
% Growth	0.4%	6.8%	

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	August 2018	July 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2018	July 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	30 348.5	27 849.4	9.0%	-54.8	11 476.0	14 851.4	-22.7%	457.4
AMERICA	9 018.7	9 888.9	-8.8%	0.6	11 222.5	10 242.3	9.6%	3.6
ASIA	35 920.2	35 426.2	1.4%	-26.3	47 453.7	50 190.1	-5.5%	-29.0
EUROPE	31 495.3	25 153.7	25.2%	-133.7	35 744.1	35 023.2	2.1%	-9.4
OCEANIA	1 792.4	1 244.2	44.1%	-1.1	1 783.6	1 592.7	12.0%	0.2
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	7 978.3	6 873.5	16.1%	-	408.8	245.9	66.2%	-0.6
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	329.8	415.3	-20.6%	0.3	-	-	0.0%	-
Total	116 883.3	106 851.4	9.4%	-215.0	108 088.6	112 145.6	-3.6%	422.2

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	1 332.7	1 125.9	18.4%	0.2	1 957.4	1 828.5	7.1%	2.0
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	8 514.5	8 841.2	-3.7%	-5.1	1 808.3	2 703.8	-33.1%	-14.3
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	264.7	275.1	-3.8%	-15.5	684.0	712.4	-4.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	4 672.5	4 653.0	0.4%	1.1	3 515.5	3 021.8	16.3%	0.9
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	26 133.5	23 864.4	9.5%	-113.0	14 575.0	23 262.0	-37.3%	428.2
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	6 947.1	6 220.0	11.7%	-33.7	12 507.6	12 040.7	3.9%	1.5
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	2 304.1	2 225.5	3.5%	-1.1	4 728.3	4 441.1	6.5%	-2.3
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	328.8	303.0	8.5%	0.1	381.3	368.4	3.5%	0.2
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	760.8	671.1	13.4%	-0.9	461.7	426.0	8.4%	-0.1
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	2 384.6	1 779.1	34.0%	-28.9	2 977.0	2 930.5	1.6%	-0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 575.6	1 222.3	28.9%	0.0	4 104.5	3 915.7	4.8%	-2.3
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	264.6	225.7	17.2%	0.0	1 615.7	1 265.9	27.6%	-0.7
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	583.3	543.9	7.3%	-0.0	1 305.8	1 315.2	-0.7%	0.7
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	19 640.0	18 390.4	6.8%	0.0	2 691.8	2 105.7	27.8%	0.2
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	13 730.9	13 103.7	4.8%	-7.4	5 623.5	5 330.1	5.5%	6.1
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	9 256.5	9 113.5	1.6%	-2.1	23 541.6	22 171.9	6.2%	1.7
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	16 482.3	12 496.6	31.9%	-8.5	10 136.3	9 904.6	2.3%	-0.5
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	696.8	593.6	17.4%	-0.0	2 752.8	2 622.2	5.0%	1.2
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	742.9	697.7	6.5%	-0.0	2 040.2	1 891.0	7.9%	0.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	64.6	77.1	-16.2%	-	91.5	64.1	42.9%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	200.6	427.5	-53.1%	-0.1	106.9	104.2	2.6%	-0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.8	1.2	50.3%	-	10 481.8	9 719.7	7.8%	-0.4
Total		116 883.3	106 851.4	9.4%	-215.0	108 088.6	112 145.6	-3.6%	422.2

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World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	212 924.8	201 876.7	5.5%	95 585.2	77 102.0	24.0%
AMERICA	67 895.6	67 617.8	0.4%	75 039.6	78 481.7	-4.4%
ASIA	250 668.1	237 083.4	5.7%	356 508.5	317 057.7	12.4%
EUROPE	196 616.1	190 499.7	3.2%	249 391.7	234 265.2	6.5%
OCEANIA	8 672.8	9 280.1	-6.5%	12 919.9	9 290.3	39.1%
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED	54 634.5	45 424.2	20.3%	3 001.1	1 433.8	109.3%
SHIP/AIRCRAFT	3 689.4	5 776.8	-36.1%	-	-	0.0%
Total	795 101.2	757 558.6	5.0%	792 445.9	717 630.7	10.4%

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I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	9 935.6	9 607.9	3.4%	13 992.3	13 091.9	6.9%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	48 090.9	46 541.6	3.3%	15 834.9	15 158.9	4.5%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	2 203.4	2 433.5	-9.5%	5 376.5	6 513.8	-17.5%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	33 118.5	30 179.9	9.7%	23 522.4	22 835.7	3.0%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	185 715.9	182 659.1	1.7%	144 468.2	109 021.6	32.5%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	50 026.1	47 470.7	5.4%	85 384.3	76 248.4	12.0%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	18 400.1	15 123.8	21.7%	35 525.4	31 301.5	13.5%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	2 730.7	2 963.7	-7.9%	2 474.6	2 465.5	0.4%
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	4 898.0	4 608.0	6.3%	3 482.4	3 412.7	2.0%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	14 097.5	14 240.1	-1.0%	22 160.3	9 934.2	123.1%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	11 278.5	10 483.2	7.6%	28 636.5	27 186.8	5.3%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	1 800.8	1 795.3	0.3%	8 977.9	8 696.8	3.2%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	4 047.1	3 566.2	13.5%	9 402.6	8 231.4	14.2%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	138 556.4	124 940.1	10.9%	13 196.4	8 346.5	58.1%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	98 516.7	92 170.7	6.9%	39 285.5	39 554.7	-0.7%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	64 631.0	61 328.0	5.4%	170 531.0	164 819.5	3.5%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	92 111.6	90 582.5	1.7%	69 466.8	75 830.0	-8.4%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	5 032.9	5 033.7	0.0%	20 205.1	19 702.1	2.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	5 316.2	5 135.9	3.5%	12 674.5	12 109.6	4.7%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	669.0	866.7	-22.8%	610.5	540.4	13.0%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	3 918.0	5 825.5	-32.7%	795.2	881.2	-9.8%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	6.5	2.7	142.5%	66 442.6	61 747.6	7.6%
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II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	7 967.1	8 306.2	-4.1%	-5.0	1 733.7	2 643.7	-34.4%	-14.3
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	147.5	158.1	-6.7%	-15.5	682.1	710.7	-4.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	3 292.1	3 491.9	-5.7%	1.1	2 947.3	2 539.9	16.0%	0.9
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	23 987.4	21 993.9	9.1%	-102.1	14 517.0	23 184.5	-37.4%	428.3
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VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	1 779.1	1 763.7	0.9%	-1.1	4 683.7	4 404.1	6.3%	-2.3
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X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	2 096.6	1 532.3	36.8%	-29.2	2 949.7	2 913.1	1.3%	-0.0
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	1 010.5	694.6	45.5%	0.0	3 599.9	3 383.6	6.4%	-2.3
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	80.4	84.3	-4.6%	0.0	1 602.4	1 253.8	27.8%	-0.7
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XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	18 769.5	18 344.1	2.3%	0.0	1 975.9	1 388.8	42.3%	0.2
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XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	423.1	399.0	6.1%	-0.0	2 024.2	1 878.8	7.7%	0.0
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	64.3	76.7	-16.1%	-	88.7	64.0	38.6%	0.0
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	195.3	421.2	-53.6%	-0.1	104.6	101.0	3.6%	-0.1
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	1.7	1.2	37.6%	-	10 481.8	9 719.7	7.8%	-0.4
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III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	1 312.1	1 615.5	-18.8%	5 363.2	6 479.7	-17.2%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	23 780.2	21 281.4	11.7%	19 964.4	19 446.0	2.7%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	171 959.4	170 637.9	0.8%	143 964.0	108 519.2	32.7%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	42 301.5	40 031.4	5.7%	81 185.1	71 677.2	13.3%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	14 785.6	11 564.8	27.9%	35 208.7	31 016.6	13.5%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	2 404.3	2 655.1	-9.4%	2 361.5	2 347.9	0.6%
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	3 695.8	3 421.8	8.0%	2 506.9	2 479.6	1.1%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	12 110.3	12 322.4	-1.7%	22 011.0	9 763.5	125.4%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	7 097.6	6 274.9	13.1%	24 842.3	23 642.6	5.1%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	621.7	579.7	7.2%	8 883.3	8 598.1	3.3%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	2 874.5	2 457.6	17.0%	9 328.2	8 158.5	14.3%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	135 527.6	120 638.3	12.3%	8 532.0	4 276.7	99.5%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	92 495.8	84 791.0	9.1%	38 286.9	38 967.3	-1.7%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	51 995.0	49 247.7	5.6%	167 982.4	162 444.8	3.4%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	83 619.3	82 090.6	1.9%	68 802.1	75 500.2	-8.9%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	3 880.8	3 920.1	-1.0%	20 162.8	19 658.8	2.6%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	3 091.8	2 899.8	6.6%	12 571.8	11 767.1	6.8%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	666.2	862.7	-22.8%	607.6	538.7	12.8%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	3 869.9	5 777.4	-33.0%	768.2	849.0	-9.5%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	6.3	2.1	199.4%	66 442.6	61 747.6	7.6%
Total		709 559.0	672 366.7	5.5%	766 005.6	692 870.0	10.6%

Preliminary BELN Monthly Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY COMPARING THE MONTH-ON-MONTH FIGURES. ADJUSTMENTS ARE MAINLY AS A RESULT OF AUDITS AND VOUCHERS OF CORRECTION IN RESPECT OF THE PREVIOUS MONTHS</p>	<p>Monthly export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month to and from South Africa. cursory checks of the figures are made prior to the publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD: World Zone	August 2018 / July 2018 Revision							
	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
	August 2018	July 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2018	July 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
AFRICA	12 510.3	10 730.0	16.6%	-13.2	3 765.8	3 873.8	-2.8%	5.8
Total	12 510.3	10 730.0	16.6%	-13.2	3 765.8	3 873.8	-2.8%	5.8

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section (Chapter)	Description	EXPORTS				IMPORTS			
		August 2018	July 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision	August 2018	July 2018	Percentage Increase/Decrease	Revision
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	Rm		Rm
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	303.1	280.8	7.9%	-0.0	420.6	445.5	-5.6%	2.7
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	547.4	535.0	2.3%	-0.1	74.6	60.1	24.1%	-
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	117.2	117.0	0.2%	-0.0	1.8	1.7	11.0%	-
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	1 380.4	1 161.1	18.9%	-0.1	568.2	481.9	17.9%	-
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	2 146.1	1 870.5	14.7%	-10.9	58.0	77.5	-25.1%	-0.1
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	1 063.8	972.4	9.4%	-0.0	555.1	465.9	19.1%	-
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	525.0	461.7	13.7%	-0.0	44.6	37.0	20.6%	0.0
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	40.0	38.5	4.0%	0.1	13.3	11.7	13.7%	-
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	158.4	156.9	1.0%	-0.5	129.3	132.0	-2.1%	-0.0
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	288.0	246.7	16.7%	0.3	27.4	17.4	57.5%	-0.1
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	565.1	527.7	7.1%	-0.0	504.6	532.2	-5.2%	-
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	184.2	141.4	30.3%	0.0	13.3	12.1	9.8%	-
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	168.9	147.5	14.4%	-0.0	11.3	9.3	21.7%	-0.0
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	870.6	46.3	1778.7%	-	715.9	716.8	-0.1%	-
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	829.2	807.9	2.6%	-1.7	134.5	135.4	-0.7%	3.2
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	1 765.5	1 667.2	5.9%	-0.3	437.1	340.8	28.3%	-
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	1 094.2	1 094.1	0.0%	-0.0	30.3	373.6	-91.9%	-
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	137.8	152.0	-9.4%	0.0	4.9	7.4	-33.8%	-
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	319.8	298.7	7.1%	0.0	16.0	12.3	30.5%	-
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	0.3	0.4	-33.7%	-	2.8	0.0	8607.4%	-
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	5.3	6.2	-15.0%	-	2.3	3.2	-28.0%	-
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	-	Infinity	-	-	-	0.0%	-
Total		12 510.3	10 730.0	16.6%	-13.2	3 765.8	3 873.8	-2.8%	5.8

Preliminary BELN Cumulative Statement

<p>METHODOLOGY CUMULATIVE FIGURES COMPARING THE MONTH WITH THE CORRESPONDING MONTH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR</p>	<p>Export and import figures are unaudited figures obtained from declarations made by exporters and importers of goods. The figures cover all goods exported and imported during the reporting month from and to South Africa. Cursory checks of the figures are made prior to publication thereof, to try and eliminate as many capturing errors as possible.</p>
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WORLD REGIONS AND SHIPS & AIRCRAFT STORES

PERIOD:	January to August 2018 / January to August 2017					
	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
	January to August 2018	January to August 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to August 2018	January to August 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease
World Zone	Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
AFRICA	85 542.2	85 191.9	0.4%	26 440.3	24 760.7	6.8%
Total	85 542.2	85 191.9	0.4%	26 440.3	24 760.7	6.8%

SECTIONS OF THE HARMONISED SYSTEM

Section(chapter)	Description	EXPORTS			IMPORTS		
		January to August 2018	January to August 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease	January to August 2018	January to August 2017	Percentage Increase/Decrease
		Rm	Rm		Rm	Rm	
I (1-5)	Live animals, animal products.	2 354.1	2 432.9	-3.2%	3 271.3	2 993.9	9.3%
II (6-14)	Vegetable products.	4 209.3	4 422.1	-4.8%	325.0	266.0	22.2%
III (15)	Animal or vegetable fats and oils and their cleavage products; prepared edible fats; animal or vegetable waxes.	891.3	818.0	9.0%	13.3	34.1	-61.0%
IV (16-24)	Prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits, and vinegar; tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes.	9 338.3	8 898.5	4.9%	3 558.1	3 389.7	5.0%
V (25-27)	Mineral products.	13 756.5	12 021.2	14.4%	504.2	502.4	0.4%
VI (28-38)	Products of the chemicals or allied industries.	7 724.5	7 439.3	3.8%	4 199.2	4 571.2	-8.1%
VII (39-40)	Plastics and articles thereof; rubber and articles thereof.	3 614.4	3 559.0	1.6%	316.7	284.8	11.2%
VIII (41-43)	Raw hides and skins, leather, fur skins and articles thereof; saddler and harness, travel articles, handbags and similar containers; articles of animal gut (other than silkworm-gut).	326.3	308.6	5.7%	113.1	117.6	-3.8%
IX (44-46)	Wood and articles of wood, wood charcoal, cork and articles of cork, manufactures of straw, of esparto or of other plaiting material, basket ware and wickerwork.	1 202.2	1 186.1	1.4%	975.5	933.0	4.6%
X (47-49)	Pulp of wood or of other fibrous cellulosic material; waste and scrap of paper or of paperboard; paper and paperboard and articles thereof.	1 987.2	1 917.6	3.6%	149.3	170.7	-12.5%
XI (50-63)	Textiles and textile articles.	4 180.8	4 208.3	-0.7%	3 794.2	3 544.2	7.1%
XII (64-67)	Footwear, headgear, umbrellas, sun umbrellas, walking-sticks, seat-sticks, whips, riding-crops and parts thereof; prepared feathers and articles made therewith, artificial flowers, articles of human hair.	1 179.1	1 215.6	-3.0%	94.6	98.7	-4.1%
XIII (68-70)	Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials, ceramic products, glass and glassware.	1 172.5	1 108.5	5.8%	74.4	72.9	2.1%
XIV (71)	Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal and articles thereof; imitation jewelry, coins.	3 028.9	4 301.8	-29.6%	4 664.4	4 069.8	14.6%
XV (72-83)	Base metals and articles of base metal.	6 020.9	7 379.8	-18.4%	998.6	587.4	70.0%
XVI (84-85)	Machinery and mechanical appliances, electrical equipment; parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles.	12 635.9	12 080.2	4.6%	2 548.6	2 374.7	7.3%
XVII (86-89)	Vehicles, aircraft, vessels and associated transport equipment.	8 492.3	8 491.9	0.0%	664.7	329.8	101.5%
XVIII (90-92)	Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus, clocks and watches, musical instruments; parts and accessories thereof.	1 152.0	1 113.6	3.5%	42.3	43.3	-2.2%
XX (94-96)	Miscellaneous manufactured articles.	2 224.3	2 236.1	-0.5%	102.8	342.4	-70.0%
XXI (97)	Works of art, collectors' pieces and antiques.	2.8	4.0	-30.1%	2.9	1.7	71.2%
XXII (99)	Other unclassified goods.	48.1	48.1	0.0%	27.0	32.2	-16.2%
XXIII (98)	Special classification provisions: Original Equipment Components	0.2	0.6	-64.6%	-	-	0.0%
Total		85 542.2	85 191.9	0.4%	26 440.3	24 760.7	6.8%